

REMARKS

Claims 1-12, 22-30, and 32-38 are pending.

In its December 5, 2008 Order, the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences (BPAI) affirmed the Examiner's rejection of claims 1-12 and 30 as obvious in light of USP 6,240,317 ("Villaseca"), but reversed the same rejection as applied to claims 22-28 and 32-38. Thus, only independent claim 1, and its independent claims 2-12 and 30, stand rejected in light of Villaseca.

To address these non-allowed claims, Applicant has amended independent claim 1 to include the very same limitation from 33 which the Board agreed was not obvious in light of Villaseca, i.e., that "transmissions from the at least one folded portion are receivable outside the dielectric housing portion." See Order at 14. Therefore, claim 1 as amended would be patentable over Villaseca for the same reason that claim 33 was allowed.

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Based on the above remarks, Applicant respectfully submits that pending claims 1-12, 22-30, and 32-38 are allowable, and requests that a Notice of Allowance issue for these claims.

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